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- Source cannot give much information on conditions in Murmansk as he spent most of his time there sleeping and eating. He went to the "Rodina" movie theater once, where he saw a historical war film about a Tsarist general, entitled Boats Storm the Fortress. The ticket cost six rubles for an unreserved seat in the sixteenth row. There were seat numbers on the backs of the seats. The theater had two halls, each with performances beginning at noon and every two hours thereafter. There were pillars in the middle of the lobby, and around the walls hung activity photographs of Lenin and Stalin, and pictures from the current film. There was also a refreshment stand for the sale of beer, wine, vodka, candy, cigarettes, etc. The halls were called the "Rose Hall" and the "Blue Hall", both of which showed the same films.
- On one occasion source ate in the so-called "Tea Shop No. 4", on prospekt Stalina, on the first floor of a four-story masonry building. Checking of wraps was compulsory but free, and the restaurant had two rooms, a large one and a small one. The menu was large, with meat, fish, dessert, pudding, tea, coffee, bread, etc. Source had wienerschnitzel for three rubles and some kopeks, and drank tea at 35 kopeks per glass.
- See sketch of Murmansk on page 2.

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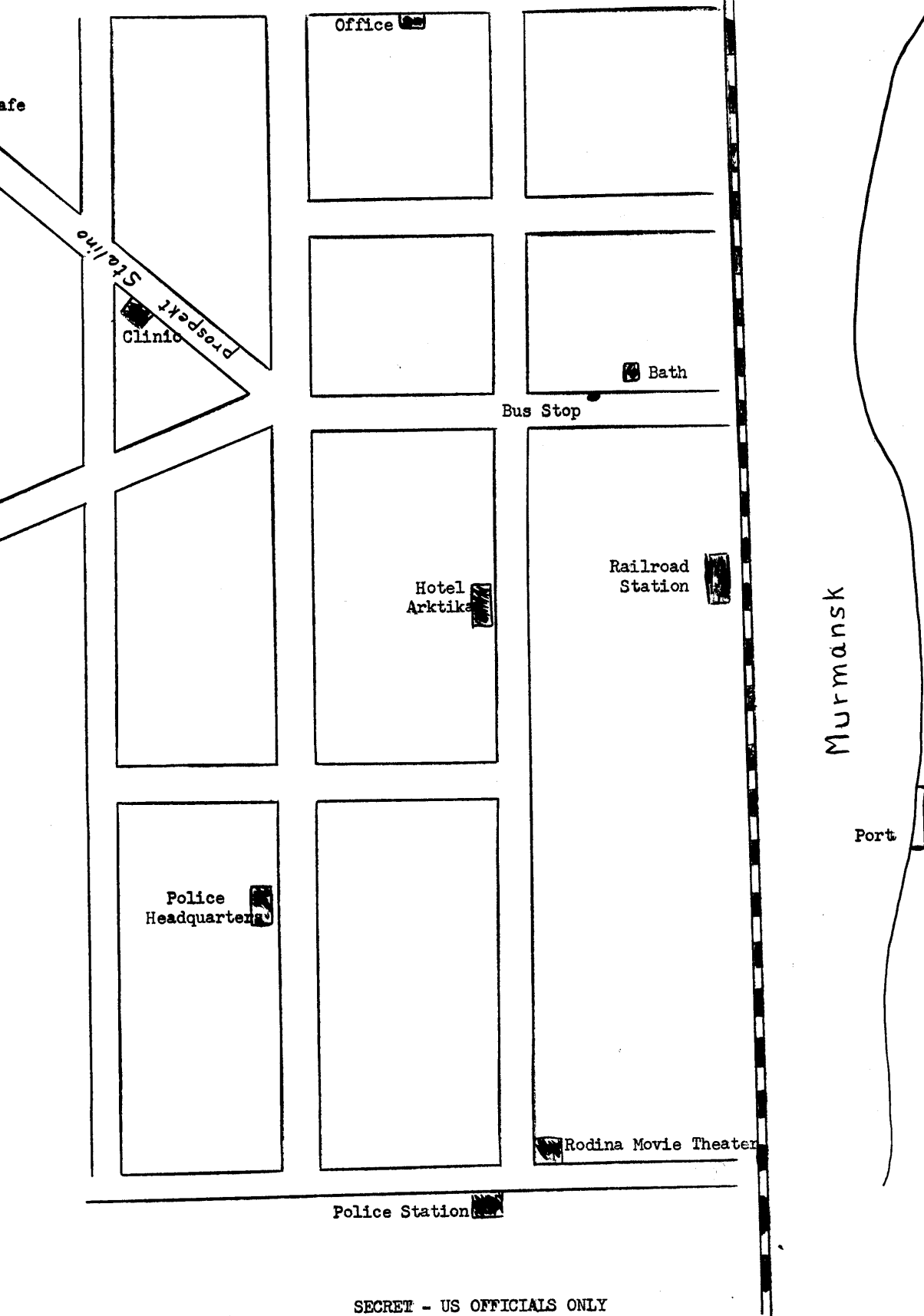
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